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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : B. Fubara  
F. JOLY et al :  
Serial No.: 09/700,120 : Group: 1615  
Filed: November 8, 2000 :  
For: PHARMACEUTICAL...AND USES :

600 Third Avenue  
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December 9, 2002

RULE 116 AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of September 17, 2002, please  
amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Claim 40 (amended) A pharmaceutical, hygienic or cosmetic composition consisting essentially of as active ingredients a combination of 3 to 95% by weight of seawater and 0.0001 to 10% by weight of at least one member of the group consisting of arginine, homoarginine, lysine, diamino pimelic acid, diamino valeric acid, carnitine, guanidine, homarizine,  $\alpha$ -methyl-m-tyrosine, N-methyl-aspartic acid, ornithine, sarcosine and salts thereof, algae extract, bacterial extracts, extracts of marine, thermal and lake mud and phytoplankton extract with an inert non-toxic carrier or excipient, appropriate for the said application.

Claim 44 (amended) A pharmaceutical, hygienic or cosmetic composition of claim 40, wherein the salt is selected from the group consisting of hydrochloride salt, dihydrochloride salt,

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